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Hello DVMS Families,

The Holiday Season is in full swing! For our children, the excitement and anticipation of special events can also present some challenges. Taking care to preserve their routines as much as possible provides a sense of calm and comfort in the midst of celebrations.

Dr. Montessori believed that respecting the child is a sacred responsibility. They are keenly aware of everything going on around them and hear much more than we often give them credit for. Dr. Montessori said, "We must be watchful in our relationships with children because they are quite sensitive more than we know to external influences." They reflect our energy.

So during this busy season, let us all be mindful of how precious our connection with our children can be. What we can give them each day is our love and attention, gifts that lay the foundation for beautiful relationships.

Afternoon Pick Up Time

It is getting quite dark and cold in the evenings! After a long day, the children are ready to see their families.

Just a friendly reminder that all children need to be picked up **no later than 5pm** each day. As per the Parent Handbook, the 5 minute grace period does not apply for pick-ups past 5:00 and the charges are the same as if you did not notify the office, (\$14.50 drop-in rate plus \$1.00 per minute after 14.5 minutes).

With traffic and rainy weather, please make sure to give yourself plenty of time to arrive!

Check out the Lost and Found items by the soccer field. Whatever items are not claimed by December 17 will be donated.

DVMS Gives Back



Coats
and
Coins

Week
1 has
been
a

success! Keep cleaning out those closets and bring in any coats by Thursday, December 16.

Season of Gift Giving



Amazon Shopping

Did you know that DVMS can receive a percentage of your Amazon spending? Make sure to set your browser preference to smile.amazon.com and select Diablo Valley Montessori as your charity of choice.



Raise Right

Are you interested in purchasing e-cards or gift cards this holiday season? You may download the Raise Right App, enter the DVMS enrollment code: 3295BA411L221, and you are able to choose from over 250 gift card brands to be delivered to your home. DVMS receives a percentage on all orders placed. The final date for UPS Ground shipping for orders to arrive by 12/24 is 12/13 and for UPS Next Day Air the deadline is 12/21. The customer service contact number is 1-800-727-4715, option 3 or support@shopwithscrip.com should you have any questions or need assistance.

Important Dates!



December 10-16: Coats and Coin Drive

December 20-21: IT House open. Extended Care for Preschool (all spots filled)
8am-5pm.

December 23-26: DVMS Closed

December 27-29: DVMS Office open 8am-3pm. Extended Care for Preschool (all spots filled) 8am-3pm. IT House Open.

December 30-January 2: DVMS Closed

January 3: DVMS Open (regular schedule)

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